

European Researchers' Night: exploring science, having fun

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In Coimbra

- The University of Coimbra has participated in the European Researchers' Night since **2009**
- Activities happened at the Science Museum, Botanic Garden and Rómulo de Carvalho Science Centre with participants from many of the University's research centres and support from the Institute for Interdisciplinary Research (IIIUC)
- Our most recent partner and venue for activities is the Machado de Castro National Museum

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Goals

- Bring researchers closer to the general public
- Increase awareness of research and innovation activities
- Public recognition of researchers
- Understanding of the impact of researchers' work on citizen's daily life
- Encouraging young people to embark on research careers

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Activities during the ERN

- ❑ Focus on the general public, addressing and attracting people regardless of the level their scientific background
- ❑ Hands-on experiments, science shows, simulations, debates, games, competitions, quizzes, etc. [activities can combine education aspects with entertainment, especially when addressing young audiences]

Pay attention

- ❑ special concern on climate change, sustainable energy, food and water supply, ageing, social inclusion, and new trends of science and technologies and of their impacts on society



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